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1. Road and Bridge Construction Work  
2. Establishment of Filling Stations in Connection with Maschinenausleihstationen (MAS)

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1. Between 2 and 11 April 1952, source observed that work on the autobahn near Frankfurt/Oder continued. Work on the autobahn bridge over the Oder River has not been started. The autobahn is scheduled to be built by German firms as far as the Frankfurt/Oder-Stuppen highway, a point 6 km within Polish-occupied territory. (1)
2. [redacted] source learned from the chief of the Civil Engineering Department of the VVB-Industrie (5) at 22 Seebenerstrasse in Halle/Saale that his department had been ordered to submit designs for the construction of an autobahn bridge near Frankfurt/Oder and one near Hohenwarthe north of Magdeburg. The autobahn bridge near Frankfurt/Oder will allegedly cost 25 million eastmarks. (2)
3. On 7 April, source observed that the Oranienburg-Bornau asphalt road was being enlarged by about 2 meters at several places between Schmachtenhagen and Bornau. (3)
4. It has been decreed that each Maschinenausleihstation (Machine lending station) (MAS) in the Soviet Zone of Germany is to be provided with a filling station. About 1,200 filling stations are scheduled to be constructed and each one will be equipped with two fuel containers with a capacity of about 20,000 liters each. (4)

Comments.

- (1) The extension of the autobahn beyond Frankfurt/Oder into Polish-occupied territory was reported previously. [redacted] 25X1
- (2) This confirms previously reported plans on the construction of an autobahn bridge south of Frankfurt/Oder. [redacted] It is believed that the autobahn bridge to be built near Hohenwarthe-Rothensee is on the Berlin-Magdeburg-Helmstedt autobahn. A temporary bridge is available at present at this point. 25X1
- (3) This road construction work is connected with the establishment of a northern by-pass around the Western Sectors of Berlin. [redacted] 25X1
- (4) Maschinenausleihstationen have been established throughout the Soviet Zone for collective farms after the Soviet pattern. As the capacity of the filling stations will be small, they will be of local importance only. 25X1
- (5) [redacted] Comment. Possibly VVB Bau-Union Mitte, Baubetrieb Mittelland, Halle/Saale, Leninstrasse 43. 25X1

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